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Owners Elect '68 Officers

The Mission Viejo Home Owners Association ended the old year electing officers at the first meeting of the Board of Directors.

Jeff Lodder was elected president and chairman of the board with the vice-presidency post being filled by Bill Hickey. Taking over the duties of treasurer is Bob Davis with Mrs. Harris handling the secretary post.

Other directors include: Bill Sims, Bob Marusich, Ben Bustillos, Domenick Tamiette and Bob Malliet.

The next board meeting will be held Thursday, January 11. Those interested in becoming a member of the association are asked to forward $3 as the annual membership fee to P. O. Box 2141, Mission Viejo, 92675.

Rotary Club Sponsoring Book Drive

Rotary Laguna Hills is sponsoring a book and magazine drive for the Joplin Boy's Ranch Library.

Vince LaVertu, drive coordinator, stated that used and new books and magazines donated would be appreciated.

Books for the drive, which will last a month, can be left in any of the following areas in special drops: the mall of the La Paz Shopping Center, Mission Viejo; Alpha Beta, Laguna Hills; Torro Center, El Toro; or Laguna Hills T.V. 23582 El Toro Rd., El Toro.

All books and magazines collected will be accepted. Any left will be sold and money will be used for new subscriptions to magazines for the library.

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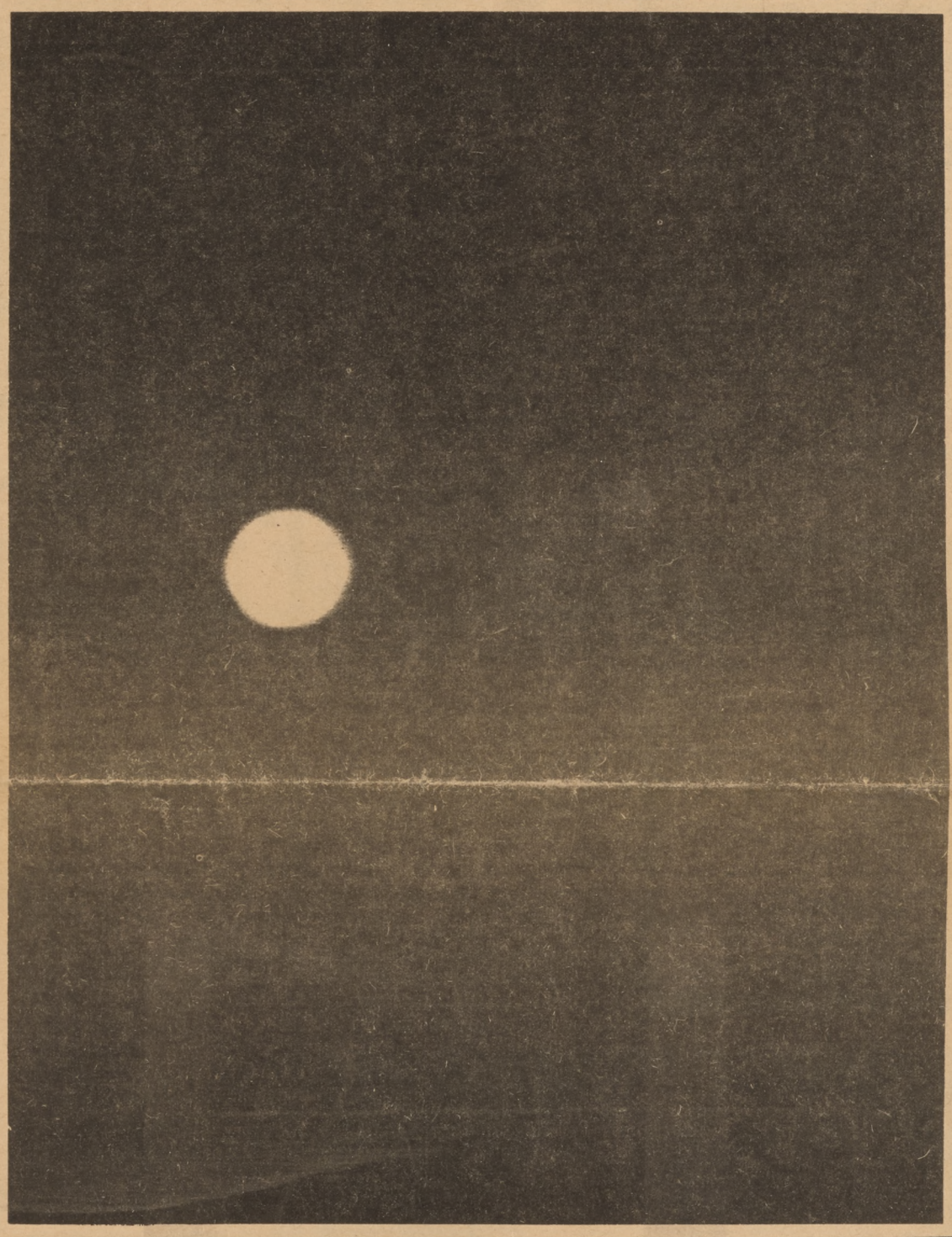


1968 . . . Year Like No Other

In four days 1967 will be no longer.

For some this will strike a nostalgic note, for others a hope for the future. But, what will 1968 produce in a way which will better our lives, or just enrich our existence? Following are a list of events to look forward to as the clock strikes midnight Sunday.

This year the nation will face a great political choice. The national elections next November are already beginning to take shape. New ideas, solutions, and alternatives will be presented by all concerned to the voters.

1968 will provide a chance for girl's who have been eyeing their favorite males. Leap Year turns the tables and permits the female to be the aggressive sex.

Mexico opens its capital city to the athletes of the world as they participate in the 1968 Olympics. For the first time 1932 Olympics in Los Angeles the sports spectacular will be held in the Western Hemisphere.

Loyal Indiana University fans will have the first opportunity in the school's history to see Disneyland. The Cinderella Hoosiers face University of Southern California in the Rose Bowl Monday morning. This marks the first appearance of Indiana in the New Year's game.

Saddleback Junior College, in Mission Viejo, makes its formal debut in the fall of 1968 with the offering of its first classes. The new college will also field a full program of athletics.

1968 will also be the year that the Cunard ocean liner the Queen Elizabeth makes her final voyage into retirement. She, like her sister ship the Queen Mary, will be put up for auction. Speculation is that the city of New York may purchase her for a school. Maybe Long Beach would like a matchi set.

One wish to express during this Holiday season for 1968 is Peace on Earth, now and forever.

PSA Wins State Board Approval For County-San Francisco Flights

Pacific Southwest Airlines (PSA) received word yesterday they could join the fastly growing fleet of airlines serving Orange County.

In a 3-2 vote, the California Public Utilities Commission (PUC) approved PSA's application for service between Orange County and San Diego, San Francisco and Sacramento.

The PUC decision generally is regarded as a reversal of the commission's decision not to permit direct competition to Air California, an Orange County based airline completing its first year of service.

PSA President J. Floyd Andrews said the airline plans to begin service Feb. 1 with a total of six daily round trip flights to San Francisco. Four will continue to Sacramento and four will extend from Orange County to San Diego.

Air California now operates eight daily round-trip flights between Orange County and San Francisco. The PSA service will start with Lockheed Electra prop-jet aircraft, the same type of planes now being operated by Air California.

Far between Orange County and San Francisco will be the same $14.85 (plus tax) being charged by Air California. PSA will charge a $6.35 (plus tax) fare between Orange County and San Diego and between San Francisco and Sacramento.

$300,000 Car Wash Plans Grand Opening In January

Final touches are being added to the $300,000 Laguna Hills Car Wash and Laguna Hills Mobil Station in time for the scheduled opening in early January, Bill Hummel, owner, announced today.

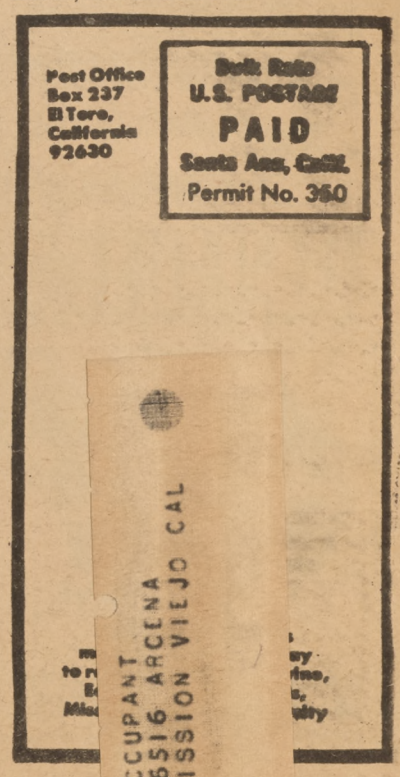
Located at the corner of El Toro Road and Paseo de Valencia, the facility will feature two separate operations.

The service station will have twelve pumps. Minor repairs, wheel balancing and alignment, engine tune-ups, brake check-ups, lubrication and emergency road service will be available, Hummel said.

The car wash will be open Monday through Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with the exception of a "Lunch Period" from 1 to 1:30 p.m. On Sundays, the car wash will operate on a half-day schedule with specific hours to be announced at a later date, the new owner reports.

Plans for a formal Grand Opening Celebration in mid January are now being formulated. "We'll have all sorts of special free gifts and surprises for our customers," Hummel said.

Additional features of the new facility will include air-conditioned waiting areas; shoe-shine and shoe-repair service; a fresh flower stand as well as hot and cold beverage vending machines for customer



EDITORIAL

El Toro On-Ramp UNSAFE!

This season all communication medias usually run a traffic safety promotion campaign. More cars are on the road, and as a result, carelessness increases and unnecessary deaths occur.

With all of the elements of a dangerous holiday season the freeway constructors have added another danger to South Orange County residents. Simply speaking the on-ramps in the construction area of the Santa Ana Freeway are unsafe, the worst one of these being at El Toro Road.

Sufficient road is not provided for a safe entrance onto the freeway thus causing people to stop before they enter the freeway or to cause the outside lane of traffic to merge to the inside.

California Highway patrolmen have been giving citations to local citizens who are "making unsafe entries onto the freeway." Many of these people are being ticketed for the lack of safety of the on-ramps.

This is an unfair situation. The planning of the temporary construction on-ramps is in error. Either drivers must drop off a foot-deep embankment, stop, or hope that there is space to merge. When a space is not there, drivers have no choice but to take an unsafe entrance.

The temporary on-ramps must be improved or the fatality rate will increase in this area. Patrolmen and the courts should understand the predicaments which face the drivers.

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A Christmas Hang Up!

Three fifth grade classes utilized clothes hangers and colored pieces of wall paper to adorn the office of the University Park Elementary School in the form of a Christmas tree. The art-work hung from the ceiling to the floor.

Teachers involved in the project included Mr. Lowell Harris, Mrs. Eloise Tobey, and Mrs. Shirley Kessler.

Local News

By Vera Lindley
Staff Writer

Timmy Strader, 11 months, welcomed a baby sister, Stephanie Janee Strader on November 28, 1967. She was born at South Coast Community Hospital and weighed 5 lbs. 13 ozs. and was 18 1/2 in length. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Timothy L. Strader of 25215 Pericia Drive, Mission Viejo.

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Chuck Schicker of the Rancho Community Players will do a solo, singing, comedy act on New Year's Eve at the Temple Judea, Laguna Hills. During the same evening he is booked to do two performances at the Clubhouse in Leisure World. Chuck, it seems, is well on his way in the performing arts.

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The dress code will have to be more strictly enforced in the Mission de Palabras Toast-mistress Club. Seen recently were two violations. One member in her haste to attend the meeting, wore two different shoes, one green and the other navy blue. Second violation: a cleaner tag was plainly seen on a member's dress. Watch it girls! Another violation just might mean suspension.

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Home from University of Oregon during this holiday season are Mike Wilde and Doug Onyon. We are fortunate to have them on our staff of The RANCHO REPORTER at this time.

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Congratulations to Accountant Robert Livingston. He recently passed his C.P.A. Examination. Mr. Livingston is employed by Peat, Marwick and Mitchell, an accounting firm of Santa Ana. Robert and his wife, Mary, reside on Grayston Street in El Toro. They are the parents of two daughters.

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A reminder, the Sweet Adelines meet Monday Nights in the Mission Viejo High School Choral Room from 7:30 to 10:00 p.m. For more information contact Patsy Recht, 837-0737 or Darlene Wallace 837-9545.

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To alleviate the travel time, Bob Rice has announced the opening of the Capistrano Plumbing, El Toro branch, starting the first of the New Year. This is a much needed service, and we are glad to welcome him into this area.

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Have you made a New Year's Resolution? At Torro Shopping Center, local residents made these promises:

Chris Hansen, student of Olivewood, resolves to participate in more sports. Gail Reed, Mission Viejo High student, resolves to drink less soft drinks. Barbara Wailes, U.C.I. student and Thrifty Drug employee, resolves not to bounce her brother out of her room.

Robert Frieberg, Mission Viejo, resolves to be more patient with his children, understand their needs and play with them more often.

Steve Stroud. U.S. Army, Norfolk, Virginia, visiting his mother in Laguna Hills and will be leaving for Vietnam soon, doesn't make resolutions because he breaks them. Mrs. McPherson, El Toro, resolves not to work quite so hard.

Vivian Leone, El Toro, resolves to go on a diet. Carol Kopp, Mission Viejo and employee of Gilberts, while carrying a pocket full of candy, resolved to eat less of the stuff. Danny Lopez, a native of El Toro, resolves to go to more parties.

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Visiting the RANCHO REPORTER offices of Lynn Smith, jetting down from his home in Gresham, Oregon, just a few miles from Portland. He is spending a week in sunny California.

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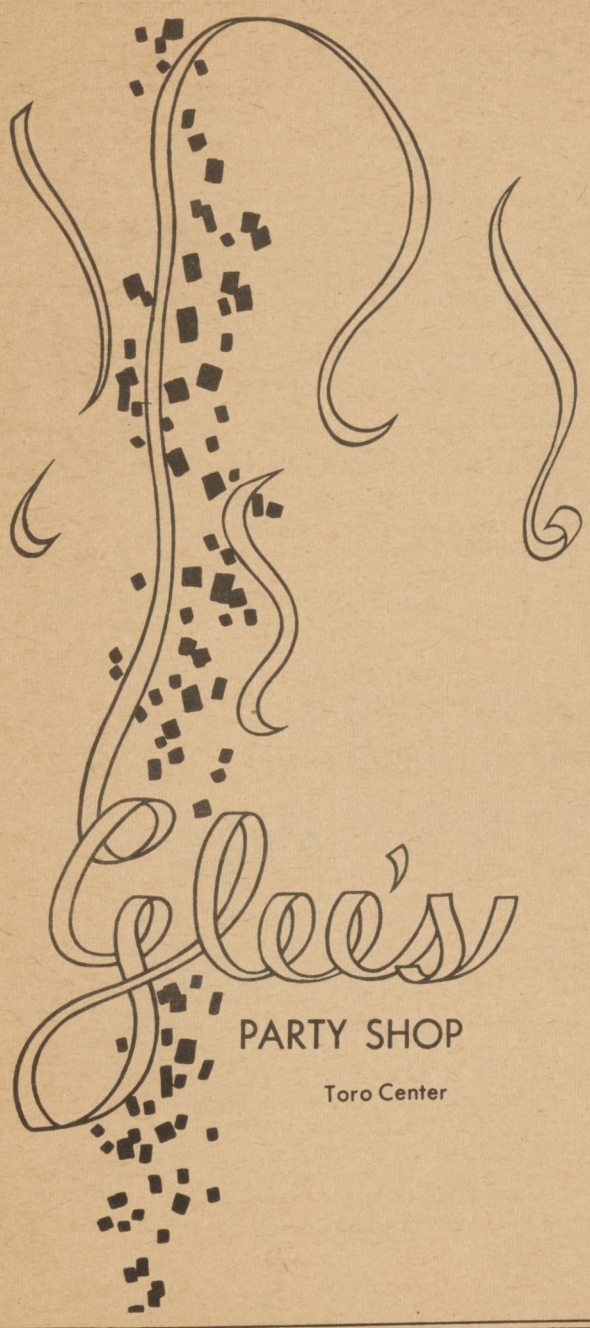

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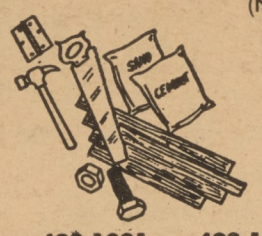
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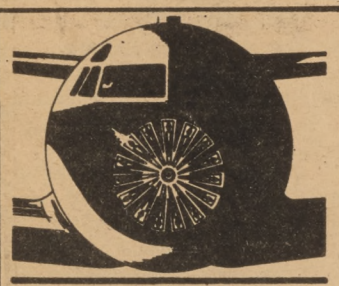
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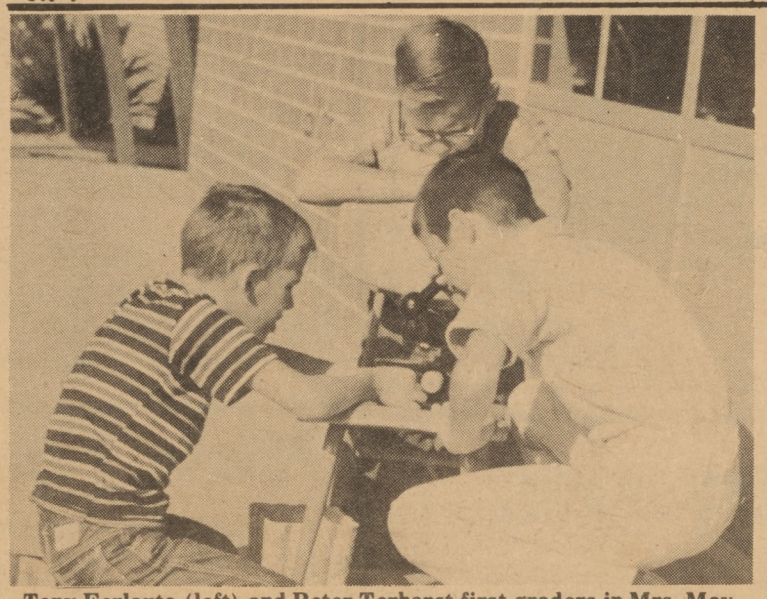

Tony Ferlauto (left) and Peter Terhorst first graders in Mrs. May Christensen's class at Gates School ponder details of their science lesson. (Rancho Reporter Photo)

Five Local Residents Compose School Board

The San Joaquin School District is an elementary district organized under legal provisions of the California Education Code and is responsible for the education of youngsters attending public school in grades from kindergarten to the eighth.

The governing body is a five member board of education which meets in regularity in monthly session on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the multi-purpose room of the Irvine School.

W.G. "Bud" Staples, Ranch Foreman for Victor Maxwell, is the President. Wm. M. Jeffrey, Jr., a rancher in the Irvine area, is the clerk.

Members are Gratian Bidart, livestock rancher, for the Moulton Ranch, Capt. John Gossom, Chief Dental Officer at the El Toro Marine Corps Air Station, and E. T. McFadden Jr., El Toro rancher and manager of the Los Alisos Santiago Water Companies.

Board Covers Long Agenda

At the regular meeting of December 6,1967, the Board of Trustees of the San Joaquin Scho District considered the following matters:

A progress report on construction of the La Paz intermediate School and approval of the preparation of final plans of School #8 at the corner of Percia and Pep'ta in Mission Viejo.

A report on a first grade report card used for the first time at parent conferences in November.

District Pace's Area's Growth

Mention San Joaquin and most people immediately think of "that great big valley in the middle of California."

But there is an Orange County San Joaquin, too, and this historical name is the designation of the Elementary School District which spreads itself over a large southeastern Orange County area.

University Park, the University of Irvine, El Toro Marine Corps Air Station, Leisure World, Mission Viejo and Capistrano Highlands are all part of one of the largest elementary school districts in the County.

Growth brings pressures. The greatest pressure is perhaps the need for new schools. In September 1969 the electorate passed a five million dollar bond issue, and authorized state loans totaling $15,450,000 to purchase sites and construct schools for an estimated enrollment of 9,500 pupils by 1970-71.

Schools in the area are built under provisions of legislation adopted by the State of California. Unfortunately the state does not anticipate enrollment. Schools are built on the basis of a square footage allotment for each house. The house may be counted when the foundation is laid. However, the house will be completed and, in this area, occupied within a matter of four or five months.

It takes almost nine or ten months to construct, equip and occupy the facility. The inevitable result is double session schedules in some schools at some times.

The San Joaquin School District can in effect only wait until the youngsters arrive before construction of additional facilities can begin. The present six schools are scattered throughout the District. The original Irvine School at Sand Canyon Avenue and the Santa Ana Freeway houses all of the District's seventh and eighth graders - over 700 students.

The El Toro Marine School opposite Gate #2 of the Air Station on Trabuco Blvd. serves the Wherry and Namar housing areas. Gates School on Landisview in El Toro houses elementary pupils from Old Laguna North, the El Toro farm and canyon areas, Aegean Hills and portions of Capistrano Highlands.

Yes, there is a San Joaquin and it is experiencing with the area it serves a growth spurt unparalleled in the history of Orange County and California.

San Joaquin is a growing school District as indicated by the following pupil enrollment figures:

School Year	September	June
64-65	1193	1495
65-66	1839	2036
66-67	2839	3307
67-68	4013	5000*
68-69	5600*	6500*

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